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The Argentine press announced on 13 November the resignations of Minister Sergiu Dimitriu and Consul General Constantin Mihailescu. The retirement of these two Rumanian diplomats resulted, according to the press, from the appointment of Anna Pauker as Rumanian Foreign Minister.

1. Confirmation of this report has been submitted by a usually reliable source who adds that the imprisonment of Maniu was also a cause for the resignations.
2. Both Polish Minister Stefan Szumowski and Czechoslovak Minister Alexander Kunosi advised Dimitriu not to resign. Dimitriu is said to have expressed to these gentlemen his desire to travel to the United States. Soviet Ambassador Sergueev also tried to dissuade the Rumanian Minister, pointing out that Rumania would then be without diplomatic representation in Argentina.
3. Dimitriu, who has held his post since February 1947, is well-to-do and does not require the salary of a diplomatic position. Mihailescu has been the Rumanian Consul General since April 1947.
4. With the resignation of Dimitriu and Mihailescu, the only Rumanian diplomat officially accredited to the Argentine government at present is Dr. Jorge Tari. Tari has been Commercial Attache to the Rumanian Legation since September of this year.

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